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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2001, enclosed please find the following documents: Amendment and Response to Office Action, Associate Power of Attorney, and Petition for a two (2) Month Extension of Time and fee of \$400.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC527-US). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 28, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

A clean version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page 2 of this communication. A marked-up version of rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(3) as they would appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II. None of the amendments